



Memorandum

TO: Historic Landmarks Commission

FROM: Courtney Damkroger

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED LANDMARK
DESIGNATION OF
89 PIERCE AVENUE
HL01-144**

DATE: June 12, 2002

APPROVED:

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BACKGROUND

The single family house located at 89 Pierce Avenue is in the R-1-8 Residence zoning district and designated Medium Low Density Residential (5 DU/AC) on the adopted San Jose 2020 General Plan Land Use Transportation Diagram. The Historic Landmarks Commission will forward a recommendation on the designation to the City Council for consideration at a public hearing on August 6, 2002 at 1:30 p.m.

ANALYSIS

Landmark designation is proposed for 89 Pierce Avenue on the approximately 0.18 gross acre site. The proposal is consistent with General Plan historic, archeological and cultural resources goals and policies which state the preservation of historically or archeologically significant sites, structures and districts are key considerations in the development review process. These policies also state that "the city should use the landmark designation process of the Historic Preservation Ordinance to promote the preservation of historically or architecturally significant sites and structures."

The two-story single family house located at 89 Pierce Avenue merits designation as a historic landmark based on its historical, architectural and cultural significance (see attached State form and Historic Evaluation Form). The building qualifies for landmark status based on the following criteria of the Historic Preservation Ordinance (Municipal Code Section 13.48.110):

2. Its identification as, or association with, a distinctive, significant or important work or vestige of an architectural style, design or method of construction in that this residence embodies distinguishing characteristics Queen Anne Victorian architecture and construction.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission, after holding a public hearing on the subject proposal, recommend that the City Council approve the designation of 89 Pierce Avenue as Historic Landmark No. 144.

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Historic Preservation Officer

Attachments

PBCE002/Historic/HL Nominations/HL01-144 HLC SR